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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL (April 15, 1987)--Eastern Illinois University's track and field Lady Panthers will make their home outdoor debut Friday and Saturday (April 17-18) as hosts of the EIU Invitational, sponsored by Black & Co. and Converse, at O'Brien Stadium. Eastern's men's team will also be in action.

The co-ed meet is scheduled to begin Friday at 3:00 p.m. and Saturday at 11:00 a.m. Participating schools include DePaul, Southern Illinois-Edwardsville, Washington (MO), Wisconsin-Parkside, College of DuPage, Harper Junior College and Milwaukee Area Technical College. A partial squad from Southwest Missouri State is also entered.

"This should be a nice little meet," said EIU coach John Craft. "I think our athletes will enjoy the chance to run at home this weekend after competing in invitationals all season."

Sophomore KRISTI BAUM (BELLEVILLE-O'FALLON) set a school record last weekend at the Dogwood Relays in Knoxville, TN as she captured fifth place in the javelin at 146-0. Senior LAUREN LYNCH (ELMHURST-YORK) also established an EIU mark as she took fifth in the 800-meter run at 2:09.6. Senior DEBBIE ZUBIK (CALUMET CITY-THORNWOOD) placed sixth in the shot put with a personal-best toss of 44-11.

"I was real pleased," Craft said of his team's effort at the Dogwood Relays. "It was a profitable trip, and I think we came away a better team."